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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Donald J. K. Olgado

Serial No.: 10/621,303

Confirmation No.: 2216

Filed: July 16, 2003

For: Load Cup for Circular
Mechanical Polishing

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 3723

Examiner: Jacob K. Ackun

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 22, 2004

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 22, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/7125/BKH, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.